CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1. (Currently Amended) An elevator system comprising:

a hoisting machine disposed within a hoistway between a wall-surface of the hoistway and a car, when viewed-in horizontally-projected perspective; a drive sheave constituting a main element of, the car moving vertically in the hoistway, the hoisting machine including a drive sheave;

a fixing member-formed in including a pillar-form and provided upright extending vertically from the a bottom portion of the hoistway; and

a mount member—for supporting the hoisting machine, the mount member being fastened to an upper portion of the fixing member—j.

- 2. (Currently Amended) The elevator system according to claim 1, wherein the mount member is formed into has a hollow square shape and support sections for supporting the hoisting machine are provided located at the upper portion and at a lower portion of the mount member.
- 3. (Currently Amended) The elevator system according to claim 1, wherein the mount member is attached to <u>the upper-portions portion</u> of the fixing member-<u>provided</u>, <u>extending</u> upright from a base member on the bottom of the hoistway, the base member being provided for standing elevator rails.
- 4. (Amended) The elevator system according to claim 1,—wherein including a securing member—is provided on the fixing—members member,—said the securing member being secured to the wall of the hoistway.